

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) An event information provision method comprising: ~~a step wherein~~

a user ~~participates~~ participating in an event organized by an event manager, said event involving said user satisfying a condition having some degree of difficulty;

said user acquiring a privileged access right acquisition step wherein the aforementioned user, by participating in this event, acquires a pre-established privileged access right by satisfying said condition;

providing said user with access to a privileged Website information provision step wherein, in response to access by the aforementioned said user who has exercised this exercising said privileged access right, said user is being supplied with information exclusive to the said privileged Website, said information being provided by the aforementioned said event manager; and a step of

registering information relating to the aforementioned said user.

2. (currently amended) The event information provision method of claim 1, further comprising: ~~a step of~~

providing advertisement information for an event, said advertisement information being provided by an advertiser; and ~~a step of~~

providing the aforementioned said advertiser with information relating to the aforementioned said user, in exchange for an advertising fee in respect of this advertisement.

3. (canceled)

4. (currently amended) The event information provision method of claim 1, further comprising, in ~~the aforementioned~~ said privileged Website information provision step, checking, in response to access by ~~the aforementioned~~ said user, whether or not that user has obtained ~~the~~ said privileged access right, and providing ~~the~~ said privileged Website information only if ~~the~~ said user has obtained ~~the~~ said privileged access right.

5. (currently amended) The event information provision method of claim 1, wherein ~~the aforementioned~~ said event manager and ~~the aforementioned~~ said user are connected via a network, and information relating to ~~the aforementioned~~ said event and information relating to ~~the~~ said privileged Website are registered at a portal site.

6. (currently amended) An event information provision system comprising:

privileged access right granting means for granting a pre-established privileged access right to a user who participates in an event organized by an event manager, said event involving said user satisfying a condition having some degree of difficulty;

privileged Website information provision means for providing access to a privileged website to said ~~which, in response to access by the aforementioned~~ user who has exercised this privileged access right, ~~supplies that~~ and for supplying said user with information exclusive to the privileged Website, said information being provided by ~~the aforementioned~~ said event manager as a result of the user exercising said user's privileged access right; and

registration means for registering information relating to ~~the aforementioned~~ said user.

7. (currently amended) The event information provision system of claim 6, further comprising means for providing ~~the aforementioned~~ an advertiser with information relating to ~~the aforementioned~~ said user, in exchange for an advertising fee in respect of an advertisement for ~~the aforementioned~~ said event, said advertisement having been provided by ~~the~~ said advertiser.

8. (canceled)

9. (currently amended) The event information provision system of claim 6, wherein ~~the aforementioned~~ said privileged Website information provision means checks, in response to access by ~~the aforementioned~~ said user, whether or not that user has obtained ~~the~~ said privileged access right, and provides ~~the~~ said privileged Website information only if ~~the~~ said user has obtained ~~the~~ said privileged access right.

10. (currently amended) The event information provision system of claim 6, wherein ~~the aforementioned~~ said event manager and ~~the aforementioned~~ said user are connected via a network, and information relating to ~~the aforementioned~~ said event and information relating to ~~the~~ said privileged Website are registered at a portal site.

11. (new) An event information provision method comprising:

a user participating in an event organized by an event manager, said event involving said user being physically present at a certain location;

said user acquiring a privileged access right as a result of being physically present at a certain location;

providing said user with access to a privileged Website information in response to said user exercising said privileged access right, said user being supplied with information exclusive to said privileged Website, said information being provided by said event manager; and

registering information relating to said user.

12. (new) An event information provision system comprising:

privileged access right granting means for granting a privileged access right to a user who participates in an event organized by an event manager, said event involving said user being physically present at a certain location;

privileged Website information provision means for providing access to said user who has exercised said privileged access right, and for supplying that user with information exclusive to said privileged Website; and

registration means for registering information relating to said user.